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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement (Paper No. 7) dated April 25, 2001.

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

A marked-up version of the changes being made by the current amendment is submitted herewith.

Amend claims 1-5 as follows:

A1 Sub B2
1. (First Time Amended) A substantially pure polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 85% identical to SEQ ID NO:1 or 2, wherein the polypeptide contains a PDZ domain sequence.

2. (First Time Amended) The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the amino acid sequence is at least 90% identical to SEQ ID NO:1 or 2.

Sub B
3. (First Time Amended) A substantially pure polypeptide comprising the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 or 2.

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